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Application No.: 09/851,694 Group Art Unit: 1761
Filing Date: May 9, 2001 Examiner: Keith D. Hendricks
For: CHEWY CANDY ANALOGUE, METHOD Attorney Docket No.: 88265-4032
OF MAKING, AND COMPOSITE ICE
CONFECTIONS CONTAINING SAME

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed March 24, 2004, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and remarks into the file of this application.

CLAIM AMENDMENTS begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 6 of this paper.

An Amendment Fee Transmittal, with provision for the required fee, is submitted herewith for the one additional independent claim.

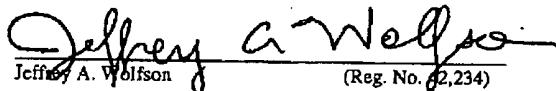
No fee is believed to be due for this Amendment. Should any fee be required, however, please charge such fee to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.

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